

JURY BOX  
IS NOW FULLReal Trial Of Harry Thaw  
Begins Monday

## ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Last Man of Panel Was Secured Late Yesterday and Case Was Adjourned to Monday—Jerome Failed to Disbar Another Juror.

New York, Feb. 2.—On Monday morning will begin the real trial of Harry Thaw, who is charged with murdering Stanford White in a New York rooming house, the jury box having been filled late yesterday after eight days of tedious endeavor.

New York, Feb. 2.—The only question still to be settled as to the conduct of the Thaw defense is which of his attorneys will make the opening statement to the jury. Lawyer Peabody was an early visitor to the Tomb today to see his client. On leaving he said that he found Thaw in excellent health and spirits, but impatient for Monday to come and the trial to resume. "If the people close their case Monday," he said, "we shall be ready to go on with the defense immediately after the recess. He denied the rumor that Thaw would take the stand for himself. "That is a bridge we shall not cross until we come to it," said he. The impression exists, nevertheless, that Thaw will insist on taking the stand.

"From Mr. Peabody's words it is evident that the defense will make no more concessions to the prosecution in the matter of excusing jurors. Evelyn Thaw visited her husband in the Tomb, arriving at 10 o'clock and remaining until 12:45. Thaw said he did not know whether the other members of his family would call during the day.

The Complete Jury.  
The jury complete is as follows: Foreman, Deming B. Smith, aged 55, retired manufacturer, married.  
No. 2, George Haff, aged 34, hardware, married.  
No. 3, Charles H. Foeke, 45, shipping agent, married.  
No. 4, Oscar A. Pink, 46, salesman, married.  
No. 5, Henry C. Harney, 50, pianist, married.  
No. 6, Harry C. Brearly, 35, advertising agent, married.  
No. 7, Malcolm S. Fraser, 40, salesman, married.  
No. 8, Charles D. Newton, 65, retired railway officer, married.  
No. 9, William S. Steele, 60, manufacturer, married.  
No. 10, John S. Dennee, 36, railway freight, unmarried.  
No. 11, Joseph B. Bolton, clerk, married.  
No. 12, Bernard Gerstman, 36, manufacturer, married.

The jury completed late yesterday. The selection of the twelve came as a complete surprise at the end of a long and tedious day, the eighth of the trial, and immediately after he had been sworn, Judge Fitzgerald ordered an adjournment of court until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

District Attorney Jerome, who has been contending since Thursday afternoon for the removal of one of the men now in the jury box, but who has failed to gain the consent of the defendant's counsel to a change, was reluctant when court adjourned yesterday to begin the actual proceedings without a further opportunity to plead with the jury's attorneys. At his request, therefore, Judge Fitzgerald ordered all the takers who have not yet been examined to be in court Monday morning ready for jury service should any of them be needed.

Mr. Jerome then announced that if there is no change in the jury in the meantime the state will place all of its testimony before the jury at the Monday morning session. The defense was notified to be in readiness to proceed by Monday afternoon.

"We are entirely satisfied with the jury," said Clifford W. Harridge, Thaw's leading counsel, last night, and he hinted that he would not consent to any further alterations of the personnel.

"The defense will be ready to proceed the minute the prosecution has finished its case," declared John B. Gleason, another of Thaw's attorneys.

Assistant District Attorney Garvan will make the opening address for the prosecution. His remarks will be very brief, occupying perhaps not more than twenty minutes. The state will then introduce only such witnesses as are necessary to prove that Stanford White was shot and killed by Harry K. Thaw on the Madison square rooming house the night of June 25 last. In announcing that the introduction will not require more than one session of the court, Mr. Jerome is evidently of the opinion that the examination of the state's witnesses as to the main events of the tragedy will not be very extended.

## HONOR FOR BENNINGTON BOY.

Walter Gavin Said to Be Fastest Mountain Gunner in the World.

Bennington, Feb. 2.—A copy of a paper published in the island of Mindanao, in the Philippines, recently received here, contains a notice of a former Bennington boy, Walter Gavin, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gavin, are living in this village, and whose father served for several years in the British navy. The paper says that a world's record has been broken, mountain guns having been moved and fired in 3.45 seconds at Malabong. A letter recently received with the paper says Walter M. Gavin is the fastest mountain gunner in the world. He is the gunner of the Twenty-sixth battery at Camp Keithley, Mindanao. He has eight of the best drilled men in the world.

GIFT OF \$1,000,000 BY  
MRS. RUSSELL SAGE

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Gets It—Announcement Made Last Night.

New York, Feb. 2.—At the annual meeting of the Alumni association of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, held at the St. Regis hotel last night, announcement was made of the gift by Mrs. Russell Sage of \$1,000,000 to that institution.

The announcement was made by Dr. Palmer C. Ricketts, president of the institute who read a letter from Mrs. Sage which, after announcing the gift, said:

"I should like to have the facts of my life and my previous relations to and interest in the Polytechnic made apparent as a reason for the gift, and as differentiating the Polytechnic from other institutions which have made applications, to which I have not responded, and with which neither Mr. Sage nor myself had any official or personal relations."

While plans for the use of Mrs. Sage's gift have not been completely worked out it is understood that the fund will be applied to the establishment of a new department to be called the "Russell Sage School of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering."

FAMILY WASHING  
OF MARLBOROUGHS

Was Hung Out on the Line Last Night—Statement That Differences Had Been Settled Quietly.

London, Feb. 2.—An authoritative statement embodying what the family desires to say on the case of the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough was issued last night. It is:

"The differences between the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough have been settled privately. The children will arrive at Sunderland house today, and the Duchess and her children will proceed to the continent early next week. This statement is somewhat ambiguous, owing to the possible interpretation that the Duke and Duchess have settled their differences, and resumed their marital relations, but the family expressly desires to let it stand as it is. In other well informed quarters, the statement is taken to mean that the Duke and Duchess have arranged privately a settlement of terms under which each will have the care of the children for a portion of the year, and other details. In other words, the children will pass six months of the year with each parent. It is understood that the duchess will continue to make Sunderland house her London home, while the duke will have town headquarters at a new hotel, as he has done since October last.

King Edward has been made acquainted with the full terms of the settlement through the duke himself, who had an audience of His Majesty at Buckingham palace yesterday. There is great relief in royal and social circles that the affairs of the Marlboroughs will not get into the courts.

The Duchess has not been very well lately, and as she thinks well of the cure at Mont Lore, France, after a short sojourn in Paris she will proceed to the Riviera with her sons. It is said that the Duchess will have an audience of Queen Alexandra while in Paris next week, and this is one of the reasons given for her decision to go abroad.

FOLLOWED SUIT  
AND ENDED HIS LIFE

John Boyd, a Brooklyn Machinist, Attended Wake of Assemblyman Donahue, Who Had Shot Himself.

New York, Feb. 2.—John Boyd, a machinist, 35 years old, of Brooklyn, attending the wake of Assemblyman Donahue, who shot himself last Thursday, went into a saloon early today and shot himself in the stomach, just as Donahue had done.

## IN PECULIAR MANNER.

Warren W. Tibbets Met Death in Springfield, Mass.

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 2.—Warren W. Tibbets, 25 years old, met death under peculiar circumstances yesterday afternoon. He wandered into the basement of a hotel where he crawled into the elevator and stretched himself out on the drum on which the cables wind. Soon afterward the elevator was started and the cables wound around Tibbets' body as the drum revolved. One of the cables passed over his chest in a manner to prevent an outcry, and slowly crushed him to death. The stoppage of the elevator started an investigation which resulted in the discovery of Tibbets' body bound tightly to the drum by the cables. In order to release the body it was necessary to pack the elevator with the heaviest guests in the hotel and lowering the cables. Life was extinct when the body was removed.

## "DESPERATE WAR."

United States May Be Plunged Into War With Japanese People.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—When the San Francisco school officials reach Washington they will be exhorted to abandon their policy of excluding Japanese children from the public schools on the grounds of national policy. The President will tell them that local prejudice and provincial obstinacy may plunge the nation into a desperate war. They will also be informed that the state law does not exclude Japanese children.

DRANK FILTH  
IN DOVER, N. H.River Water, Contaminated  
With Sewage, Turned In,

## RESULT OF RECENT FIRE

City Is Greatly Stirred by Discovery That City Water for 24 Hours Was Reinforced by Dirty Water.

Dover, N. H., Feb. 2.—The city is aroused over the discovery that for 24 hours river water, which was contaminated with sewage and other filth, was turned through the city mains to aid in fighting the fire at the Cocheco mill last Saturday. Samples of the water have been analyzed without the discovery of typhoid germs, but various vegetable organisms have been found which may cause a serious epidemic. The river water was taken by order of the fire department.

## LARGE FIRE IN BOSTON.

Loss of \$125,000 in East Boston Last Night.

Boston, Feb. 2.—Fire last night destroyed the larger part of the plant of the Boston & Lockport Block company, 100 Concord street, East Boston, entailing a loss estimated at \$125,000.

The plant of the company included three big wooden buildings, 1 and 1½ stories high, running back to the water from Concord street. A new machine shop, which escaped more than a partial injury, is nearest the water, then came a blacksmith shop and "pouring" room, and at the front was the paint and pattern shop.

The fire started in the blacksmith shop, and although several men were at work in the front shop, was not discovered until it had attained such headway that the buildings were doomed.

ABOUT TO JUMP,  
GIRLS WERE RESCUED

Fire in Troy, N. Y., Manufacturing Co.'s Plant Last Night Caused a Loss Estimated at \$300,000.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The six-story brick building owned by the Troy Waste Manufacturing company, one of the largest in the city and utilized as an office and store house for the concern, located in the cellar factory district, was completely destroyed by a fire which originated about five o'clock last evening, entailing a loss of \$300,000.

The building was filled with shavings, cotton batting and waste, comprising manufactured goods and raw material, and soon after the fire was discovered the entire building was filled with smoke and when they were enabled to reach the fire on the second floor the flames swept up a shaft to the third floor, which soon became a mass of flames.

In less than an hour the flames had spread through the entire building. The north wall of the building toppled over first and communicated the fire to brick buildings across King street, but the flames were soon extinguished. The south wall fell soon afterward, smashing the Trojan truck and ladder truck, but no one was injured.

The building crumpled from all sides and compelled the United Traction company to cut its wires on the main line through the city. Five horses in the harness of the company adjoining the building were burned to death. Insurance covers the loss. The company's manufacturing plant is located in Cohoes.

Eight girls employed in the waste plant were rescued by the firemen as they were about to jump from the windows.

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

Times and Places of Worship and Subjects of Sermons.

At the Presbyterian church the pastor will preach morning and evening. Men's bible class at 11:45.

At the Baptist church the pastor will preach morning and evening. Subject in the morning, "A Joyous Life." In the evening, "Sin of Omission." Universalist church, Morning subject, "The Universalism of Mutual Science," evening, topics of the people, one of which will be, "The Competitive System."

Christian Science services tomorrow at 10:45 a. m.; Wednesday evening at 7:30; reading room open Tuesday, and Friday from 2 to 4 o'clock, at 7 Summer street.

Sixty-ninth Church of the Good Shepherd, Morning prayer, 9:45 a. m.; Holy communion and sermon, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7 p. m.

The Salvation Army, Salvation meeting tonight at 7:30. Tomorrow, Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.; Christians' praise service at 3 p. m.; special salvation meeting at 7:30 p. m.

At St. Monica's church, Children's mass at 9 o'clock, celebrating St. P. McKenna, parish mass at 10:30 o'clock, celebrant, Rev. E. F. Gray, catechism, 2 p. m.; rosary and benedictions 4 p. m.; baptisms at 4 p. m.

At the Methodist church tomorrow, morning worship at 10:30 o'clock, with sermon by the pastor on "Religious Paralysis and Its Cure." Bible school at 12; Epworth league at 4:15; evening worship at 7, with sermon on "The Gospel in Ministry." Congregational church. The pastor will conduct the services. Morning theme, "An Honest Appeal. Perhaps Mistaken, Possibly Not." Special musical service in the evening, with brief address by the pastor on the message of the hymn, "Rock of Ages."

## FOSTER IS SELECTED.

Vermont Congressman to Address D. C. Loyal Legion.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Loyal Legion of the District of Columbia is accustomed to make much of its annual meeting and it is worthy of note that Vermonters have been selected two years in succession to deliver the address before that body. A year ago the orator was Judge Wendell P. Stafford. This year the Hon. D. J. Foster has been invited.

On Tuesday of next week Congressman Foster will go to Philadelphia to speak before the Union League club of that city at its banquet in celebration of Lincoln's birthday.

GRANITE MONUMENT  
FOR ROGER'S GRAVE

Tombstone Is Being Cut in Barre by Eugene Sullivan—Will Be a Handsome Piece of Work.

An order has been placed with Eugene Sullivan, a local granite manufacturer, for a monument to be erected to the memory of Mary Rogers, upon her grave in Hoosick, N. Y. The names of the party or parties who are making the purchase have not as yet been made public, but the principal donor is said to be a wealthy woman, a resident of Brattleboro, who showed a remarkable interest in Mrs. Rogers.

The monument, which it is expected will be erected soon, is a handsome piece of work, made from dark Barre granite, the design, an original one with Mr. Sullivan, being round rock-faced work with the scroll which extends from the top of the stone and which is polished, leaving a large space for the inscription. Over the top of the stone and extending downward in graceful lines from right to left is a beautiful spray of flowers, which were carved by Gusta Mai.

The monument will stand when erected nearly eight feet in height and measure about three feet and six inches across the front by three feet in depth. The stone without the base weighing about three tons.

The woman to whose memory this tribute is erected, was hanged for the murder of her husband, Marcus Rogers, in Bennington in 1902.

## NORWICH LOST TO LOWELL.

Exciting Game Won, By Massachusetts School, 29 to 24.

Norwich, Feb. 2.—The Norwich university basketball team was defeated last night by Lowell Textile school, the score being 29-24. The game was exciting throughout, as the score was very even until the last minute of play when the visitors made one foul and two baskets which won them the game. The home team did not put up their usual fast game. The visitors play Vermont tonight.

The line-up:  
Lowell Textile.  
Butler, R. .... J. B. Ames-Reed  
Holden, J. .... F. B. Watson  
Farr, C. .... J. L. Carpenter  
Stott, R. .... J. L. Harney  
Score 29-24.  
Baskets from field, Bunch 6; Holden 4; Farr, Stott, Barney 3; Carpenter 4; Reid 4. Fouls, Bunch 3; Referee, L. E. Knight. Time, 30 minute halves.

## ST. JOHNSBURY "EASY."

Lost to Gloversville, N. Y., Champions, 49 to 18.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 2.—Gloversville added another game to their string of victories at the armory last evening, defeating St. Johnsbury, 49 to 18. It was the second of the season. Both teams played a remarkable game and superbly all round team work enabled Gloversville to win. The blocking, passing and shooting of the champions was perfect. Their great applause from the 800 spectators who packed the hall to the outer doors.

Brattleboro 27, Turners Falls 24.

Brattleboro, Feb. 2.—The Brattleboro athletics took a scintillating game from Turners Falls last night by a score of 27 to 24. It was anything but a close game, the last three minutes, a goal by Bothwell put the Athletics one to the good, and just before the final whistle Davey made a handsome shot which took the crowd off its feet. The visitors led 10 to 2 when the first period closed, and at the end of the second Brattleboro led 15 to 14. The lead changed four times in the last period.

Score: Brattleboro 27, Turners Falls 24; goals from the floor, Stafford 6; Davey 3; Bothwell 3; Doyle, Baggis 4; McCarthy 3; Harding 2; Shea, Sears; goals from fouls, Davey 3; Sears 2; referee, March; scorer, Woodard; time, 15 minutes; three 15-minute periods; attendance, 400.

## Montpelier Girls Beat Stowe.

Stowe, Feb. 2.—The third game in the Northern Vermont Interscholastic Basketball League was played here last night between the girls' teams from Stowe and Montpelier high schools. It was a cleanly played contest and was won by the latter team, 7 to 2. After the game, visitors and vanquished attended the musical show given by the Stowe Military band.

## Yale Defeated Harvard.

Boston, Feb. 2.—Yale defeated Harvard at basketball in Mechanics hall last evening, 14 to 13, in one of the most fiercely contested games ever played in Boston. After several minutes of an extra period, during which the score was 12 to 12, and then 13 to 13 in Harvard's favor, Yale won out on a beautiful goal from the floor thrown by Van Vleck.

## Rutland Boy in Games.

Rutland, Feb. 2.—Archie M. Sheldon, son of Postmaster Sheldon of this city, was a junior at Yale, where the day following the earthquake. Apparently it has been lost.

J. C. ENRIGHT  
FOUND DEAD

## Vermont Lawyer Was Asphyxiated in New York

## CORONER SAYS SUICIDE

Mr. Enright Was One of the Most Prominent Citizens of Windsor, and Was Well Known as a Dealer in Granite Also.

Windsor, Feb. 2.—News was received here yesterday from New York city, stating that J. C. Enright of this town had been found dead in his room at the Chelsea Square hotel, 21st street and Tenth avenue, with gas escaping from several open jets. Coroner Harbinger expressed the opinion that Mr. Enright had committed suicide.

Mr. Enright went to New York Wednesday on a business trip and was expected to return home today. No word had been received from him since his departure.

Mr. Enright, who was about 50 years old, was one of the most prominent citizens of Windsor, a member of the board of selectmen and school director. He was an insurance agent and notary public, a member of the Vermont bar, and also conducted a granite business.

He leaves a wife and one daughter, who is a teacher in the public schools here.

Mr. Enright was known to a number of granite dealers in Barre, because of his connection with the granite industry. He handled in his business chiefly the Windsor stock, quarried in his home town. As a lawyer Mr. Enright was prominent in the attempt to change the Vermont capital punishment law to life imprisonment. Those who attended a public hearing at the State House in Montpelier last fall, at which the merits of a bill to substitute life imprisonment were discussed, will remember the graphic description which he gave of the life of Mary Rogers and her stay in the state prison at Windsor.

## Due to Defect in Gas Pipe.

Burlington, Feb. 2.—F. O. Sinclair of this city, a brother-in-law of the deceased, received word last night from New York saying that death was not a result of suicide, but was due to a defect in the gas pipe.

Says He Was Robbed and Beaten.

New York, Feb. 2.—The Central News agency sends out a story that J. C. Enright, the Windsor, Vt., lawyer found dead in his room at the Chelsea Square hotel, was robbed and beaten.

## 300 KNIGHTS PRESENT.

At Annual Convocation of Old Krow Lodge Last Night.

The annual convocation of Old Krow Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Birmingham, was held last evening in Miles' hall and was attended by about 300 Sir Knights of this city and many from Northfield, Montpelier and Brookfield. At the annual election of the Thrice Illustrious and Most Excellent Grand Officers, Solomon and George Duncan Grand Senior Warden. A large class of 53 candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the order. After the work of the degree a bounteous chicken picnic banquet was served in the banquet hall in the Blanchard block, at which over 200 Sir Knights were served. The banquet closed with a short programme of songs and music. A. E. Bruce was the toastmaster.

BRITISH RULER IS  
TRAVELING INCOG.

With Queen Alexandra He Left London Today En-Route For Paris.

Which Queen Has Not Visited Since 1889.

London, Feb. 2.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra left London this morning for Paris, traveling incognito as the Duke and Duchess of Lancaster. They desire that the trip be as private as possible, and it will be marked by absence of ceremony. This is the Queen's first visit to Paris since 1889.

## MARSHALL A. HOWE SAFE.

Former Newfane Man Arrives in New York from Jamaica.

Brattleboro, Feb. 2.—M. O. Howe of Newfane has received a telegram from his son, Marshall A. Howe, which reads: "Safe in New York with specimens. Letters perhaps delayed. Was told cable broken."

Marshall A. Howe was in the island of Jamaica at the time of the earthquake. He is a botanist living in New York and went to the island to gather specimens. Kingston was one of his objective points. Message from others on the island were received by relatives, but none came from Mr. Howe, and his parents were very anxious about him. A letter received about the time the telegram arrived announced that Mr. Howe married a lady home the day following the earthquake. Apparently it has been lost.

## VIOLENT OUTBREAKS FEARED.

Following Killing of Governor of Caracas in Cold Blood.

Caracas, Feb. 2.—Violent outbreaks are expected here as the result of the killing of General Matias, Governor of Caracas by political enemies who are following Vice-President Gomez. Governor Matias was shot dead in cold blood in a cafe. The murderers are now in jail. His friends may attack the prison.

NORWICH STUDENTS  
HOLD BANQUETS

Four Spreads Were Served at the Northfield Institution Last Night—Three Fraternities Initiate.

Northfield, Feb. 2.—The annual initiation banquet of the Alpha Sigma Pi fraternity was held last night at the Northfield house. Capt. J. H. Mears acted as toastmaster, with the following responses: "Norwich university," M. D. Smith; "Honorary Members," K. H. Baldwin; "Undergraduates," F. S. Clark; "The Ladies," M. P. Fraser; "Absent Brothers," W. T. Randall; "Initiates," A. M. Tenny; "Alpha Sigma Pi," R. H. Watson. The initiates were Herbert E. Dole, Everett Collins, Harry A. Hunt, Benjamin H. Grant, Robert D. Hope, John T. Rich, Freeman Light, Kenneth F. Stebbins, Carl P. Strobel, Ashton M. Tenny.

The annual banquet of the Theta Chi fraternity took place last night at their chapter house, and the following toasts were responded to by L. E. Knight as toastmaster: "Our Fraternity," C. H. Pratt; "Norwich university," President C. H. Spooner; "Athletics," C. N. Barber; "The Initiates," J. B. Caswell; "The Ladies," D. U. Smith; "Our Alumni," Dr. J. H. Mears. The initiates were Louis Prospects, R. C. Seiple, National C. C. R. G. North; "New Members," C. C. Thomas.

The Common club held their annual banquet at their club house last night, W. H. Sharp acting as toastmaster. The following toasts were responded to: "Norwich," O. Y. Leonard; "The C. C. Man," L. E. Knight; "The Ladies," F. V. Bourdon; "Our Club," R. V. Root; "Future Prospects," R. C. Seiple; "National C. C. R. G. North; "New Members," C. C. Thomas.

"THE HALF O' WINTER'S  
TO COME AND MAIR?"

Ground Hog Goes Back Into His Hole in Perplexity After Viewing the Signs of the Weather on This, Called Candlemas Day.

The ground hog retired half-way to his hole, perplexed, today, for the signs of the weather were confusing. At intervals he might have seen his shadow and most of the time the sun was concealed behind heavy clouds. Weather predictors were likewise in doubt, for the popular superstition was not sufficiently plain to be interpreted easily. The significance of the day is thus described for Times readers by A. N. Fellows of West Topsham:

This is what is ecclesiastically styled "Candlemas day," a festival known in this country as ground-hog day, on account of an almost national superstition on the subject. The tradition is that on the 28th of February, the ground hog, also called woodchuck, emerges from his winter bed and if he sees his shadow he retires for another six weeks' nap, knowing that the weather will be wintry during that period; while on the other hand, if the sun fails to welcome him and to reflect his shape (7) form, he stays out in the wide, wide world, realizing that spring is at hand.

A peculiarity of Candlemas, aside from its religious or spiritual significance, is the legend which has been attached to it, for so long to the effect that fair weather on this day indicates a continuance of winter; the reverse is an equally paradoxical omen. As the old Scotch rhyme expresses it:

"If Candlemas day be dry and fair,  
The half o' winter's to come and mair;  
But if Candlemas day be wet and fool,  
The half o' winter's gone and a' a' gone."

In Germany there is a saying that the shepherd would rather see the wolf enter his fold on Candlemas day than the sun; so it seems that the Teutons are not exempt from a species of "ground hog" superstition, for one also hears in the fatherland that "the hedges peep out of his hole on Candlemas day, and when he finds it rainy or damp walks abroad; but if he sees the sun shining he drags back into his hole."

The belief in the significance of Candlemas has been put in a variety of rhymes, among which are the following: "Where the wind is on Candlemas day, There it will still till the end of May."

"If Candlemas day be fair and clear,  
There will be two winters in that one year."

"Half of your wood and half of your hay,  
Should be remaining on Candlemas day."

"If Candlemas day be fair and bright,  
Winter will take another flight;  
But if it be cloudy or rain,  
Winter is gone and won't come again."

## TRIO WERE ABSENT.

Illness Delayed Commissioners Pierce and Williams.

Montpelier, Feb. 2.—The special commission appointed last week by Governor Proctor to consider the subject of double taxation held its first meeting yesterday in the room of the court of claims at the State House. George W. Pierce of Brattleboro and J. H. Williams of Bellows Falls were unable to be here because of illness.

The commission informally discussed the subject they are appointed to investigate and considered certain questions they will ask the secretary of state to have examined in the tax inventory blanks sent out this spring. O. M. Barber of Bennington, chairman, J. H. Seutter of Montpelier, Ernest Hildreth of Pittsford and L. B. Snick of St. Johnsbury attended the conference.

NEW DEMAND  
AT WESTERLYQuarry Workers Present  
Proposed Schedule

## FOR AN EIGHT HOUR DAY

They Also Demand General Raise of Wages Ranging From 6-2-3 to 50 Per Cent—Some Employers Call It Outrageous.

Secretary P. F. McCarthy of the Quarry Workers' International union of North America has received word from Westerly, R. I., that the Westerly branch, No. 91, today presented a new working schedule to be acted upon by the employers' association. Some of the employers when shown copies of the agreement yesterday characterized the matter as outrageous and said they might as well go out of business as to pay the wages asked, according to despatches sent out from Westerly.

The new scale of wages called for in the schedule is based on a reduction of the working day from nine to eight hours and calls for an increase in pay ranging from 6-2-3 to 50 per cent. In the case of helpers and quartermen a flat increase of 50 per cent, while the sharpeners ask for 6-2-3.

The demand contains 13 section and deals with the wages, hours and conditions of work for all classes of laborers from the apprentices to the skilled men. Time and a half is wanted for all work over eight hours, with double time on Sundays, Decoration day, Fourth of July, Labor day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The classes of men, with the new wages demanded for each class are as follows: quartermen, \$2.25 a day; pneumatic plug drillers, \$2.25 a day; steam drill runners, \$2.40 a day; quarry sharpeners, \$2.50 a day; section hands, \$2.50 a day; powder must be experienced quartermen and shall receive \$2.40 a day; head-derrickmen shall get \$2.25 a day; helpers, \$2; shovellers, \$2 a day; hoisting engineers, \$2.40 a day; lumpers, \$2.25 a day; locomotive crane and locomotive engineers 31 cents an hour; quartermen, \$2 a day. This schedule of prices is the minimum which the employers can pay if they agree to the demands.

The agreement further specifies how many men and drills shall constitute a gang, arranges for a grievance committee to settle all disputes and specifies that the agreement shall run for at least a year. No action has been taken by the employers as yet, and none will be taken, it is said, before the meeting of the International Manufacturers' association in Boston, one quartermen are now working nine hours for 30 cents an hour.

IMMENSE HAWK  
CAUGHT AT STATE HOUSE

It Had Flown Into Prison in Pursuit of Dove—Latter Bird Was Found Dead—Hawk Measured 3 Feet 7 Inches.

Montpelier, Feb. 2.—While Sergeant-at-arms Ferrin and janitor Hill were at the State House yesterday afternoon, they heard a fluttering sound in the adjacent general's office. Going into the room they discovered a large hawk imprisoned between the iron grating and the shutter of the window. They captured the animal after a fight and then let him go. The bird measured three feet and seven